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Inventor(s): Hubert T. McGovern
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For: DECK SCREWS SUITABLE FOR USE WITH COMPOSITE LUMBER

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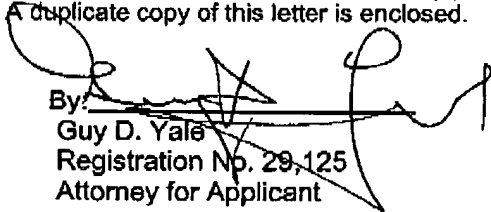
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